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C O N F I D E N T I A L SINGAPORE 4333

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ENRG

SUBJ: PETROLEUM CUTBACKS

REF: A. SINGAPORE 4327; B. SINGAPORE 4328

1. ESSO SINGAPORE GENERAL MANAGER, COUCH, TOLD EMBOFF TODAY (NOV 10) THAT EXXON INTERNATIONAL HAS INSTRUCTED ESSO SINGAPORE CUT OFF ALL PETROLEUM SUPPLY TO US FORCES UNDER DEFENSE FUEL SUPPLY AGENCY CONTRACTS (WHICH WE WERE TOLD INCLUDES ONE FOR ARVN). COUCH SAID DFSA INFORMED IN US; FORCE MAJEURE CITED AS LEGAL BASIS CONTRACT CANCELLATION. ESSO SINGAPORE NOW UNDER ORDER, OF BOTH EXXON AND GOS, TO TERMINATE SUPPLY US FORCES.

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2. ESSO, AMOCO, MOBIL REPS ATTENDED INDUSTRY-GOS MEETING UNDER CHAIRMANSHIP NGIAM TONG DOW (PERMSEC FINANCE) THIS MORNING, THEN MET WITH PRIME MINISTER. NGIAM REPEATED GOS POSITION THAT NO PRODUCT SHOULD BE SHIPPED FROM SINGAPORE TO EMBARGOED DESTINATION (INCLUDING US FORCES); SAID WRITTEN ORDER WOULD BE ISSUED BY MONDAY. PM EMPHASIZED HE WANTS TO MINIMIZE ECONOMIC IMPACT AND AVOID ANY ACTION THAT COULD RESULT IN CUTOFF SUPPLY OF CRUDE TO SINGAPORE REFINERIES. GOS AND INDUSTRY ATTEMPTING ESTABLISH MINIMUM RESERVE IN SINGAPORE. GOS PLANS URGENT CONSERVATION MEASURES TO CUT CONSUMPTION OF ELECTRICITY (TOTALLY PRODUCED FROM OIL) AND GASOLINE BY 10 PERCENT. GASOLINE RATIONING MAY BE INTRODUCED.

3. CALTEX SINGAPORE TOLD USN OFFICE, SINGAPORE, NOV. 10 THAT CALTEX HEADQUARTERS ORDERED "NO DELIVERY CAN BE MADE WHATSOEVER AGAINST CONTRACT . . ." "COVERING US NAVY HERE. CRONK

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